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IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1647

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Examiner: Woodward, Cherie Michelle

APPLICATION NO: 10/583,157

FILED: JUNE 16, 2006

FOR: A PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION COMPRISING AN ACTIVE
PRINCIPLE AND SULPHOBETAINE

MS: Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 5, 2008, Applicants hereby elect for prosecution Group I, claims 1-12 drawn to a pharmaceutical composition comprising a NDSB and active pharmaceutical ingredient. Applicants further elect dimethyl-t-butyl-(3-sulphopropyl)-ammonium salt from among the group 1 species, and the active pharmaceutical ingredient G-CSF from among the group 2 species. Claims 1-12 encompass the elected species of group 1 – each composition of these claims can comprise the NDSB dimethyl-t-butyl-(3-sulphopropyl)-ammonium salt. Claims 1-12 encompass the elected species of group 1 – each composition of these claims can comprise the active pharmaceutical ingredient G-CSF.

A petition for extension of the time of response by one (1) month, from April 5, 2008 to May 5, 2008, accompanies this response.

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